

**Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization
Citizen Advisory Committee**

**Recommendations to the Fiscal Years 2006-2008
Transportation Improvement Program**

Recommendations

The CAC recommendations fall into three categories (described below). The CAC recommends that the following projects be submitted to the Policy Committee and implementing agencies for inclusion in the FYs 2006-2008 TIP. The matrices in Appendix A provide additional information.

Category #1

These projects were submitted by the CAC members, screened by the Subcommittee, and found to be qualified according to the criteria discussed above. Also, some of these projects are in the FYs 2004-2006 TIP. These projects are recommended for inclusion in the FYs 2006-2008 TIP:

1. Makakilo Drive Extension
2. Young Street Parkway
3. Travel Demand Management
4. Vampool
5. Makakilo – H-1 Interchange
6. Farrington Highway Widening
7. Leeward Community College Access
8. North South Road Phases I, II, and III
9. H-1 Kapolei Interchange
10. Fort Barrette Road Widening
11. Kapolei Parkway, Units 1, 2, and 3

Category #2

These projects are listed in the FYs 2004-2006 TIP. Should their implementation be delayed, they are recommended to be carried over to the FYs 2006-2008 TIP:

1. S-38 Kalanianaʻole Highway Improvements, Olomana GC to Waimanalo BP
2. S-41 Kamehameha Highway Bikeway, Radford Drive to Arizona Memorial
3. S-64 Kamehameha Highway Widening, Lanikuhana Ave. to Ka Uka Blvd.
4. S-62 Kamehameha Highway Improvements, Hygienic Store to Kaalea Stream Bridge
5. C-18 Kamokila Blvd. Extension
6. S-65 Leeward Bikeway

Category #3

These projects were submitted by the CAC and meet all of the screening criteria with the exception of being "ready-to-go" within the FYs 2006-2008 period. These projects are recommended for inclusion in the TIP for the planning phase only.

1. H-1 Widening Eastbound Waiawa to Halawa
2. H-1 Widening Westbound Waiawa through Waiawa
3. Kunia Road Widening



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Ewa-Ewa Beach-Honouliuli-West Loch
Kapolei-Kalaheo-Honokai Hale / Nanakai Gardens-Ko Olina
Nanakuli-Waiʻanae-Makaha-Keaau-Makua

MONTHLY REPORT

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Councilmember's Message

ALOHA! Money, money, money. As you are probably aware, we are into the City Budget process. Much of what is in this month's newsletter is about the budget process and what it means for our district. There are some interesting complexities in the overall process . . . tracking what's been approved, what's in the works, and what needs new funding allocations. Tied to all of this is the issue of what taxes and fees should be charges for our City's revenues.

INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS - As I am sure will be the case, not all of the projects that we want for our district will make the list for funding this year. Please know that my office is working hard to best prioritize the projects, and are in communication with the departments to insure those projects that we are going to push for this year will be started on time so that the funds don't lapse.

REAL PROPERTY TAXES – The Council is considering multiple measures that look to provide real property tax relief to our island residents. The balance that must be struck is to provide the relief where it is needed, while maintaining the City's revenue source. To that end, my goal is to insure that no one is "taxed out of their property." Everyone must pay some property taxes, and obviously, some are able to pay more than others. With that, we must protect those who risk losing their property because of the increasing property values around them.

YOUR PARTICIPATION – Especially during the budget period, there is an excellent opportunity for you to be involved. Let all of the council members know what projects, organizations, and City services are important to you. It is great if you are able to attend committee and council meetings. However, we all know that is difficult. Therefore, sending email messages and testimony about specific items is easier and very helpful in the process. Unfortunately, sometimes silence is assumed to be disinterest. Therefore, we encourage you to communicate with your legislators both on the state and city level.

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Eyes on Ewaby Wendy Sefo

The Division of Road Maintenance has completed first aid (block patching) repairs in the Ewa area. Roadways completed recently include Paaloha Street, Papipi Road, Kilaha Street, North Road and Hanakahi Street.

First aid repairs were also scheduled for Pohakupuna Road, however work was deferred until the completion of an on-going Wastewater Project. Upon the completion of the sewer line project, the roadway will be re-evaluated and appropriate action taken.

As other roadways in the area are identified as in need of first aid work (to extend the life of the existing pavement until the street can be resurfaced), they will be checked for any possible underground utility project conflicts; if no conflicts are found, then first aid repairs will be scheduled.

Please let us know if you are aware of a street or road in our community that needs this kind of first aid patching work. Also note, that the Mayor will soon be unveiling his comprehensive plan for road resurfacing work.

Keeping Up In Kapoleiby Wendy Sefo

Councilmember Apo has included monies for the for long awaited Kamokila Blvd extension in his proposed amendments to the Executive Capital Budget (Bill 13 [2005]– CD1). This extension will help to link Ewa and Kapolei by way of connecting Roosevelt Ave and Kamokila Blvd near Home Depot in Kapolei.

Councilmember Apo is requesting funds to construct the approximately 1000–foot extension of the proposed roadway between Roosevelt and Kamokila.

If you would like more information or would like to express your support of this project please call or e-mail Councilmember Apo.

Watching Out for Waianaeby Karen Awana

Councilmember Apo met with representative from the management company overseeing Waimanalo Gulch. Steve Cassulo, General Manager of Waste Management provided information on recent mitigation initiatives such as additional odor control misters found roadside of the gulch, and new litter fences designed in a zig zag pattern to increase capacity catchment of airborne litter. A berm will soon be built to limit visibility of the landfill. A system to contain the methane gas that is commonly produced with refuse is also scheduled.



Queen Liliuokalani Children’s Center (QLCC) invited Councilmember Apo to a meeting on March 29. The Waianae Unit of QLCC has been extended from Kaena Point to Leeward Community College. QLCC services Hawaiian children, and their families with numerous programs - Valley of Rainbows, Na Mamo Makamae, Community Media Program, and Na Hale o Kapolei just to name a few. For more information on these and other programs contact the Waianae Unit at 668-2314.

Numbers You Should Know

The City has a Complaint Office that can assist in having the appropriate department responds to concerns and complaints from the public on matters that fall under the jurisdiction of the City and County of Honolulu. Agencies may take up to **10 workdays** to complete a response to your concern. However, depending on the issue, it may take longer.


It is City policy for its agencies not to reveal the identity of sources that furnish information

Your inquiry may be handled by:

- Phone Line at  **527-6006.**
- Calling the Complaint Office at  **523-4381, 527-5166 (TDD);**
- Letter addressed to:
Director of Customer Services
530 South King Street, Room 302A
Honolulu, HI 96813
- E-mail at FixIt@honolulu.gov

* However, you are welcome to communicate directly with the division or section, which deals with any of the issues listed below by email or calling the listed number.

Abandoned or derelict vehicles
Report abandoned and derelict vehicles for removal

 **(24-Hour) 532-7700 - during greeting press 250** or E-mail at av@honolulu.gov

Sidewalks
If the area from the curb (or road edge in the case of unimproved sidewalk setback) to the private property line shows evidence of being cracked, uplifted, blocked by overgrowth, obstruction (other than by vehicles which Honolulu Police Department handles via 911), or hole, etc., call the Housing Code Section, [Department of Planning and Permitting](#) at **527-6308.**

Golf Courses
Call Golf Course Administration, Department of Enterprise Services at **733-7381.**

Park Maintenance
For mowing, watering, restroom cleanliness, swimming pool, tree trimming, playing fields, parking, etc., handled by the Park Maintenance and Recreation Services Division, Department of Parks and Recreation, call Leeward Oahu District Office (Pearl City to Waianae, including Ewa Beach to Wahiawa) at **671-0561.**

Refuse collection and Disposal
For non-collection, automated collection system issues including repair, damage to private refuse receptacles, route scheduling, placement location of receptacle, green waste disposal, removal of receptacles, etc., handled by the Refuse Collection and Disposal Division, Department of Environmental Services, call:

Pearl City District Office (Aiea, Pearl City, Makakilo & Ewa) at **455-9644;**

Waianae District Office (Honokai Hale to Makaha) at **696-3421.**

The Analyst’s Report: City’s Budget CycleBy Charmaine Doran

March marks the beginning of the budget cycle for the City & County of Honolulu. Budgeting is a planning tool and is the most significant means available to elected officials in policy making, goal setting and prioritizing governmental activities. As such, the Council's participation in the annual review and adoption of a budget for the City & County of Honolulu is one of its most important duties.

The budget review cycle, in summary, comprises three separate phases: (1) preparation, (2) budget review and (3) execution. Commencing the budget cycle is the Mayor’s preparation and submittal of the Executive Operating and Capital budget’s to the Council. The Operating budget includes allotments to fund government services and functions. The Capital budget contains annual appropriations for projects that are part of the City’s six year Capital Improvement Program. Both budgets are conceptually in effect for one year running between July 1 and June 30. Monies, however, can be encumbered beyond that period and this is predominately done for the Capital budget.

Accompanying the Mayor's Executive budget is a proposed Revenue Program. The revenue program consists of various financing and legislative mechanisms. In addition to borrowing and/or securing grants, the City may also make adjustments to several rate schedules, such as Real Property Taxes, Fuel Taxes and Sewer Fees, in order to raise monies. The Revenue Program identifies what means will be utilized to fund the proposed budgets.

The Charter requires that the Mayor submit a balanced Operating and Executive budget with any proposed financing mechanisms to the Council at least 120 days before the end of the fiscal year. This normally occurs around March 1.

Upon receipt of the budget the second phase of the budget cycle begins with City Council review. Over a period of approximately 3 months, the Council’s Budget Committee holds over a dozen public meetings and departmental hearings to discuss the budget. During this period, the Council not only receives public input, but also surfaces amendments to the proposed Executive budgets. The Charter mandates that the Council must be completed with their review and have adopted an Operating and Capital budget no later than June 15. After adoption, both budgets are sent to the Mayor for signature. Barring any veto and upon signature, the adopted budgets are considered enacted.

The final phase of the budget cycle is execution. This encompasses expending and encumbering funds approved in the Operating and Capital budgets. This normally begins with individual department’s submitting quarterly expenditure plans to the Department of Budget and Fiscal Services and the Mayor for review and approval. Upon approval Departments are authorized to proceed with making expenditures. However, throughout the year all appropriations and allotments are dependent on numerous factors including actual cost, completion time frame and the availability of monies. Therefore, simply being included in the Operating and Capital budget does not always guarantee funding.

On March 1, 2005 the Mayor delivered the proposed Executive Operating and Capital budget for 2006-2007. Both budgets total almost 2 billion dollars in expenditures. Council review of the documents, currently underway, is expected to continue until early June. Councilmember Apo has identified three fundamental goals during this year’s budget cycle. First, that necessary district projects are included for funding. Secondly, that vital public health and safety services are adequately maintained and, where possible, expanded throughout Oahu. Thirdly, that the City’s debt and financial burden does not jeopardize government function in the future.

Anyone wishing to attend or view Council budget hearings may visit the Council’s website www.honolulu.gov/council/calendar.htm for further information.

HOW TO SCHEDULE A DRIVER’S LICENSE ROAD TEST ONLINE

Go to <http://www3.honolulu.gov/csdarts/default.aspx> or follow instructions below.

Go to City and County of Honolulu website: <http://www.honolulu.gov/>

- Click on “On-Line Services”
- See box titled “Just a Click Away” and click on “I would like to ...”
- Click on “Schedule a Driver’s License Road Test Online
- See the home page of the Appointment for Road Test System (ARTS)
- Click on “I have read and accept the terms stated below. Now take me to the scheduling page.””
- See a monthly calendar for [Available Appointments](#) by specific dates
- To make or reschedule an appointment, choose any of the available dates, and then click on the appropriate button for the desired location and time. Appointments may be made six months in advance.